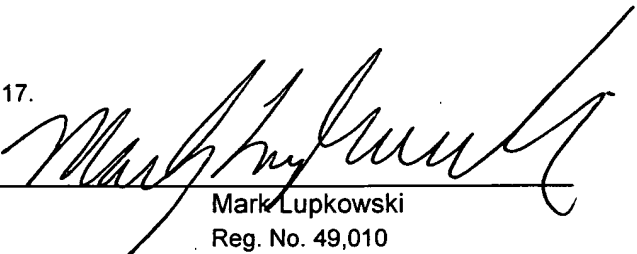
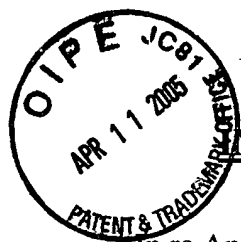


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Applicant(s): Pamela A. Kramer					
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Invention: <b>Method And Apparatus For Thermal Spray Processing Of Medical Devices</b>					
<b>TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</b>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.					
The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as show below.					
<b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>					
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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Examiner Rayford:

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed on January 11, 2005, which had a shortened statutory time to reply that ends on April 11, 2005.

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